HOLLISTON AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION MINUTES

Wednesday, September 3, 2014

Members present: Justin Brown (associate), Janet Horne, Natalie Kent (associate), PJ Kilkelly (associate), Tony Lulek and Paula Mark.

Members absent: Donna Kramer and Helen MacArthur.

Guest: Bobby Blair

Meeting Called to Order: Vice Chairperson, Paula Mark called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM.

<u>Minutes of the Last Meeting:</u> Justin Brown made a motion, seconded by PJ Kilkelly, to accept the minutes of the August 12, 2014 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Farms Day: It was reported that we have the flyers. Paula Mark stated where the signs for the event are located. She also reported that the information has been given to the local paper, Holliston Reporter and the local cable station. PJ Kilkelly suggested that we should think about have a banner printed for next year to go across Washington Street. Tony Lulak said that he will get quotes on the banner. We also need to get more roadside signs made to replace those that have been taken. The Agricultural Commission will set up a display table at the Community Garden to promote signing up for a plot. Natalie Kent will be at the Community Garden for Farms Day. PJ Kilkelly said that we will need to do some clean up before the event. PJ Kilkelly will be selling the weed killer at his location. It will also be available at the Community Garden and Newfound Farm. Tony Lulek will make name badges for the members of the Commission.

<u>Celebrate Holliston:</u> The Commission will have a booth at Celebrate Holliston where we will be selling the weed killer.

<u>Community Garden:</u> Deb Moore has expressed an interest in obtaining a plot. PJ Kilkelly said that he would pay for the plot. In the fall we will get some more perennials to plant at the garden. Bobby Blair stated that he will give us some daffodil bulbs. It was decided that we would discuss the garden in more depth at our October meeting. Tony Lulek said that he will update the application and put it on the website. We will have 12 additional plots available for use.

Website: Tony Lulek reported that he is going to be doing some updating on the site.

<u>Miscellaneous:</u> Paula Mark read a letter relative to Brooksmount Farm. It outlined what the developer is planning to do with the property. We do not know what had happened with the 61A classification on the property. Tony Lulek stated that we need to get a bigger voice on matters dealing with agriculture that comes up in the town. He will plan to go to a Selectmen's

meeting. It was decided that our next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 14, 2014.

Paula Mark made a motion, seconded by Justin Brown, to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Janet Horne, Clerk